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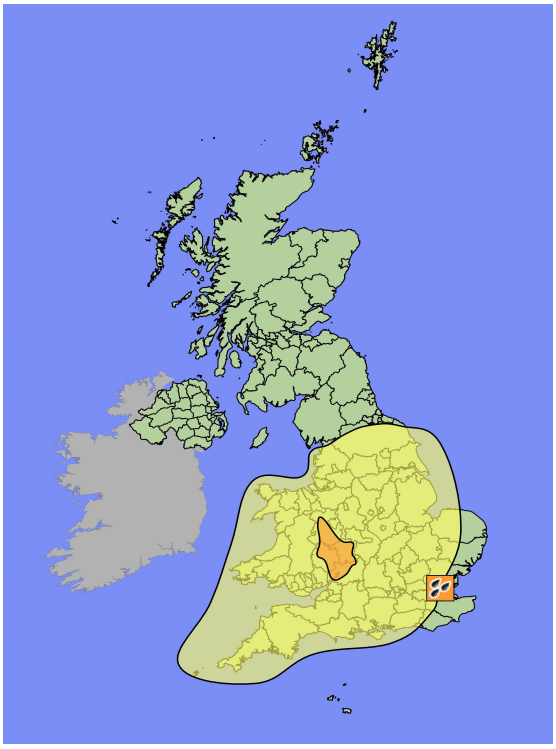

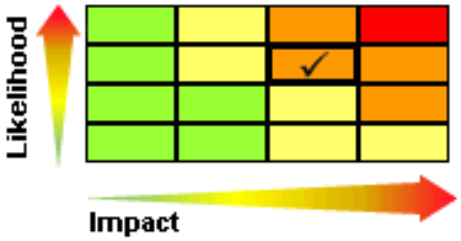

Chief Forecasters Assessment
A depression which was located over Brittany this morning is expected to spin up into a vigorous circulation close to the southwest of England today. This will push heavy rain from the south across England and Wales bringing a further 15 to 40 mm of rain in places, falling on near-saturated ground. This will be exacerbated by the strong winds from an unusual direction for gales, which could cause trees to come down on roads. Above 300-400 m in Wales and northern England there will be freezing rain or snow, with a strong wind chill creating severe upland conditions for hill walkers.

The Met Office have issued an **Amber Warning** of **Rain**

Valid from **00:00 on Sun, 29th Apr 2012** until **23:59 on Sun, 29th Apr 2012**

An area of heavy rain and strong winds will spread northwards across the southern half of the UK on Sunday. The public should be aware that this may lead to some local flooding given the recent wet conditions, and that northeasterly winds will exceed 50-60 mph in some locations, bringing the risk of falling trees. Parts of Shropshire, Worcestershire, Herefordshire and Gloucestershire look especially vulnerable to river flooding. The wind and rain should ease from the southeast across southeastern and central parts of England through today.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/uk/uk_forecast_warnings.html

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